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A METHOD OF IONIZING A LIQUID PROPELLANT AND

AN ELECTRIC THRUSTER IMPLEMENTING SUCH A METHOD

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### REPLY TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION WITH RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT (37 C.F.R. § 1.111 AND § 1.142)

Commissioner for Patents

Attention: Examiner Ehud Gartenberg

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#### Dear Sir:

In response to an Office Action marked "non-final" and dated August 24, 2005, Applicant hereby submits this Reply for his above-referenced Application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and § 1.142.